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Hi,
Having been a microcomputer owner since 1979 and reading many many computer publications over the ensuing 22 years I find it incredible that you folks cannot see what Bill Gates

is doing to the DOJ and american public. He has done nothing to reduce his efforts to control the computer world. In fact, with their latest offering of XP they have claimed even more control.

In the meantime Microsoft's offer to give computers to schools in reality is sowing the same seeds that Apple did many years ago, in that they gave schools a super deal, knowing the kids would go home and bug unknowing parents into buying similar systems.

If you want to punish Microsoft and Gates and company for thumbing their noses at you since day 1, then I suggest you force Gates and Balmer to retire from the company, and never

have any more contact with it. Otherwise the control issues

will become greater and greater. If you look at many of Microsoft's new pricing policies you'll see where they are punishing their customers for the hassle and costs you folks

have put them through.